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Media invited to military munitions removal demonstration at Tobyhanna State Park

BALTIMORE — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, in coordination with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and their contractor, Weston Solutions, will demonstrate for the media how the process of buried military munitions search and removal. Officials from the Corps, state and local officials will be available for interviews.

When: April 28 at 11 a.m.

Where: Tobyhanna State Park's day-use pavilion, located on Route 423.

Why: The Corps, in coordination with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, will conduct a Time-Critical Removal Action of military munitions in an area on the northern border of Tobyhanna State Park, Pa., south and east of Lake Watawga, beginning May 3. The work, which is scheduled to last until the fall, involves surveying the site with metal detectors, removing any munitions that are discovered, and destroying recovered munitions on-site using engineering controls designed to ensure public safety.

Directions:

From Interstate 380 East:

Take the Tobyhanna exit.

Proceed for approximately 0.2 mile across Route 611 towards the main Tobyhanna Army Depot gate, and then turn right onto Main Street.

Proceed 0.8 mile to first stop sign and turn left onto Route 423 North for approximately 1.8 miles.

The parking lot for the day use area will be on the left. This will be the second parking lot entrance, and the pavilion will be visible on the right (north) as you turn into the parking area.

From Interstate 380 West:

Take the Tobyhanna exit. Turn left on Route 423 North.

Route 423 turns into Main Street (turn left) and there is stop sign at the Church of Saint Annes.

Pass the alternate Tobyhanna Army Depot entrance on left, and continue on Route 423 North for approximately 1.8 miles.

You will see the parking lot for the day use area on the left. This will be the second parking lot entrance and the pavilion will be visible on the right (north) as you turn into the parking area.